

PART I Authorization to Operate

- A. The permittee is authorized to operate a Class V Injection Well at the facility described in the permit application and in the cover page of this permit, in accordance with the provisions set forth in this permit. In the case of this permit, the drip irrigation disposal system is defined as the injection well.
- B. Only the wastewater described in the original permit application and any subsequent permit application modification as approved by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) shall be injected.
- C. This permit and the authorization to inject shall remain in effect until the expiration date as stated on the cover page of this permit. If the permittee desires to continue injection past the expiration date of this permit, the permittee shall request a permit reissuance at least 180 days prior to expiration of this permit.

PART II Construction Requirements

- A. Injection Well Requirements
 - 1. The permittee shall inject only domestic sanitary wastewater that has been treated by passing through a wastewater treatment system. The treatment system shall be adequate to meet the discharge limitations contained in Appendix A.
 - 2. The permittee shall maintain a means of sampling the wastewater after treatment and prior to injection.
 - 3. The drip irrigation disposal area shall be the area identified in the permit application.
 - 4. The drip irrigation disposal area shall be maintained to prevent the occurrence of standing water resulting from precipitation or injection of treated wastewater.
 - 5. Adequate select soil fill material shall be maintained in areas where shallow subsurface soil restrictive features might limit effluent absorption.
 - 6. The permittee shall maintain a thriving vegetated cover throughout the year and must overseed the drip irrigation disposal area when necessary to maintain a cover crop.
 - 7. All drip irrigation disposal system components and equipment shall be installed, monitored, and maintained in accordance with manufacturers' directions.
 - 8. The loading rate of treated wastewater shall not exceed the design loading rate.
- B. Monitoring Well Requirements
 - 1. The permittee shall maintain a monitoring well(s) down gradient of the injection well for the purpose of monitoring groundwater quality.

2. Each monitoring well should include the following.
 - a) The well shall be screened in the uppermost saturated zone. The well screen shall be of sufficient length to account for seasonal fluctuations in the water table and affects of the subsurface effluent disposal system.
 - b) The annulus around each well casing above the well screen shall be sealed with bentonite to prevent the passage of surface water into the injection zone.
 - c) The concrete protective pad around the base of the well, a metal protective casing, and a locking cap shall be maintained.
3. All surface water shall be routed away from the monitoring well's surface installation.

C. Modifications

Approval by the Director of the ADEM shall be obtained prior to modification of any injection well or supporting surface. Modification shall mean any action that will change the configuration of the well beneath the surface, the methods of monitoring injection, or will result in injection of a fluid not specifically authorized by this permit.

PART III Monitoring and Operating Requirements

A. Injection Fluid

1. The permittee shall not inject any substance that is defined as hazardous or toxic by Federal or State laws or regulations or any substance not identified in the application for this permit. The proposed use of substances other than those identified in the permit application must be reviewed and approved by the ADEM prior to use.
2. The daily volume of injected wastewater shall not exceed the design flow, in accordance with the plans and specifications submitted with the permit application.
3. The rate of wastewater injection shall not exceed the design infiltration rate and the requirements of Part II. A.8 of this permit.
4. The permittee shall monitor the fluid to be injected as specified in Appendix A of this permit.
5. The permittee shall not exceed the limits established in Appendix A of this permit.
6. The permittee shall monitor the groundwater as specified in Appendix B of this permit.
7. The permittee shall not exceed the limits established in Appendix B of this permit.
8. The ADEM may change the sampling requirements if the sampling data indicates a need to do so.

B. Test Procedures

Test procedures for the analysis of pollutants shall conform to 40 CFR Part 136 of the Federal Register and guidelines published pursuant to Section 304(h) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (FWPCA). If more than one method of analysis of a substance is approved for use, a method having a detection limit lower than the permit limit shall be used. If the detection limit of all methods is higher than the permit limit, the method having the lowest detection limit shall be used and a report of less than detection limit shall constitute compliance. However, should the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approve a method with a lower detection limit during the term of this permit the permittee shall use the newly approved method.

C. Certified Operation

The permittee shall not operate any wastewater treatment plant unless the competency of the operator to operate such plant has been duly certified by the Director of the ADEM pursuant to the Alabama Water Pollution Control Act (AWPCA), and meets requirements specified in ADEM Administrative Code, Rule 335-10-1.

D. Operation

1. The injection well operated under this permit shall function properly and wastewater shall not surface. Should the injection well fail to function properly, the permittee shall take immediate corrective action, to include cessation of injection, as required by the Director of the ADEM.
2. The permittee shall adopt the following best management practices:
 - a) Properly operate and maintain in good working order all treatment or control facilities or systems (and related appurtenances) installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance includes effective performance, adequate funding, adequate operator staffing and training, and adequate laboratory and process controls, including appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems only when necessary to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit.
 - b) Solids, sludges, filter backwash, or any other pollutant or other waste removed in the course of treatment or control of wastewaters shall be disposed in a manner that complies with all applicable ADEM rules and regulations.
 - c) Upon the loss or failure of any treatment facilities, including but not limited to the loss or failure of the primary source of power of the treatment facility, the permittee shall, where necessary to maintain compliance with the discharge limitations specified in Appendix A, of this permit, or any other terms or conditions of this permit, cease, reduce or otherwise control all discharges until treatment is restored. If control of discharges during loss or failure of the primary source of power is to be accomplished by means of alternate power sources, standby generators or retention of inadequately treated effluent, the permittee must furnish to the Director of the ADEM prior to the initiation of injection, a certification that such control mechanisms have been installed.

- d) Comply with Federal, State, and local solid and liquid waste disposal regulations.

3. Bypass

- a) A bypass of the permitted injection well is prohibited.
- b) A bypass of treatment facilities is not prohibited if:
 - (i) It does not cause any discharge limitation specified in Appendix A of this permit to be exceeded and:
 - (ii) It is necessary for essential maintenance of a treatment or control facility or system to ensure efficient operation of such facility or system.
- c) A bypass of treatment facilities is not prohibited and need not meet the discharge limitations specified in Appendix A of this permit if:
 - (i) It is unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
 - (ii) There are no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime (note: this condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance); and
 - (iii) The permittee submits a written request for authorization to bypass to the Director at least ten (10) days prior to the anticipated bypass (if possible), the permittee is granted such authorization, and the permittee complies with any conditions imposed by the Director to minimize any adverse impact on human health or the environment resulting from the bypass.

E. Monitoring Equipment and Instrumentation

All equipment and instrumentation used to determine compliance with the requirements of this permit shall be installed, maintained, and calibrated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions or, in the absence of manufacturer's instructions, in accordance with accepted practices. At a minimum, flow measurement devices shall be calibrated at least once every 12 months.

PART IV Records, Reports, & Submittals

A. Records

- 1. The permittee shall record the information listed below for all monitoring activities:
 - a) The date, exact place, and time of sampling or sampling measurement(s);
 - b) The name of individual(s) who perform the sampling or measurement(s);
 - c) The date(s) analyses were performed;

- d) The name of the individual(s) who performed the analyses;
 - e) The analytical or technical methods used;
 - f) The results of each analysis performed; and
 - g) The completed chain-of-custody forms for all samples collected.
- 2. The permittee shall retain all records concerning the data used to complete the permit application, the operation of the wells, and the nature and composition of pollutants injected; to include records of the calibration of instruments, meters and gauges, quality control records, and recordings from continuous monitoring instrumentation for the previous three years of operation.
 - 3. When requested by the Director of the ADEM, the permittee shall deliver to the ADEM copies of any of the records maintained in accordance with this permit.

B. Reports

- 1. The reporting period for all monitoring performed under Appendix A shall be monthly. The reporting period for all monitoring performed under Appendix B shall be quarterly. Upon the effective date of this permit, the permittee shall submit reports not later than 28 days after each monitoring period, whether a discharge occurs from the treatment system or not. The monitoring reports shall include:
 - a) The date, exact place, and time of sampling or sampling measurement(s);
 - b) The results of each analysis performed.
- 2. If applicable, the permittee shall submit sludge inventory data not later than 30 days from the effective date of the permit which at a minimum contains the following information:
 - a) Type of sludge stabilization/digestion method, daily or annual sludge production (dry weight basis), and ultimate sludge disposal practice(s).
 - b) The permittee shall give prior notice to the Director of the ADEM of at least 30 days of any change planned in the permittee's sludge disposal practices.
- 3. The permittee shall report to the Director of the ADEM any of the following:
 - a) Any planned action which will change the use of the injection well, will result in injection of a fluid different from that authorized by this permit, will result in injection of wastewater at a rate greater than the design flow rate, will change the method of operations of the injection well, or will change the method of the monitoring of well operations or injected fluids. No such changes shall be implemented unless or until a permit modification has been received.
 - b) Any planned transfer of ownership of all or part of the permitted facility.
 - c) Any relevant facts of which the permittee becomes aware which should have been submitted in a permit application and any corrections to data previously submitted in a permit application.

- d) Within 30 days of the effective date of this permit, the name, address and operator number of the certified wastewater operator in responsible charge of the facility. Also, any change in the operator must be reported to the Director of the ADEM.
- e) The Permittee shall report to the Department, the county health department, and any other affected entity such as public water systems, within 24-hours of becoming aware of any sanitary sewer overflow or other unpermitted discharge to the surface from any part of the sanitary sewer collection system from which this permitted facility receives influent wastewater. A written report shall be submitted no later than five (5) days after becoming aware of the occurrence of such discharge to and shall include the following information:
 - (i) A description of the discharge;
 - (ii) The period over which the discharge occurred, including exact dates and times or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the discharge is expected to continue; and
 - (iii) A description of the steps taken and/or being taken to reduce or eliminate the discharge and to prevent its recurrence.

4. Other Submittals

Studies, engineering reports, plans and specifications, plugging and abandonment plans, logging reports, and other technical documents submitted to comply with this permit shall be prepared by or under the supervision of qualified persons defined by Rule 6-8-.13 of the Underground Injection Control (UIC) Regulations of the ADEM.

PART V Plugging and Abandonment

The permittee shall perform any abandonment and closure actions that may be required by the Director of the ADEM to remove a threat to groundwater quality or to the health of persons, which is caused by the injection activity.

PART VI Permit Modification, Revocation, Suspension, and Termination

- A. The Director of the ADEM may impose emergency additional conditions to this permit when necessary to protect waters of the state from pollution. These conditions may include suspension of the permit to inject. Any such condition shall remain in effect until the permit is modified, revoked, suspended or terminated in accordance with Rules 6-8-.12(a)3-5 and 6-8-.12(f) of the UIC Regulations of the ADEM.
- B. Non-emergency permit modification, revocation, suspension, and termination actions shall be accomplished in accordance with ADEM Administrative Rule 335-6-8.

PART VII General Provisions

- A. The permittee shall comply with all provisions of the UIC Regulations of the ADEM and shall comply with all provisions of this permit and shall reduce or halt injection if needed to maintain compliance with the permit and regulations.
- B. The permittee shall comply with all applicable Federal and State hazardous waste management regulations.

- C. The permittee shall allow members of the ADEM staff to:
 - 1. Access property and records of the permittee for purposes of inspection.
 - 2. Collect samples of the injected fluids, process and wastewater streams associated with the permitted injection wells.
 - 3. Collect samples from monitoring wells.
 - 4. Obtain copies of records upon request.
- D. The permittee shall immediately take all reasonable steps to minimize or correct any adverse environmental impact resulting from the operation of the permitted injection wells.
- E. This permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege.
- F. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation, and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.
- G. Any noncompliance with this permit constitutes a violation of the Alabama Water Pollution Control Act (AWPCA) and/or the UIC regulations and is grounds for enforcement action such as permit termination, revocation, modification; or denial of a permit renewal application.
- H. Injection to waters of the state, which in this case is groundwater, in accordance with this permit shall not result in the exceedance of a Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) as established by the Environmental Protection Agency. Injection to groundwater, in accordance with this permit shall not result in a violation of a surface water quality standard.

Appendix A

Effluent from the wastewater treatment system shall be limited and monitored prior to flowing into the subsurface disposal system by the permittee as specified below:

<u>EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTIC</u>	<u>DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS</u>		<u>MONITORING REQUIREMENTS</u>		
	Once per Two Weeks (mg/l)	Monthly Average (mg/L)	<u>FREQUENCY</u>	<u>SAMPLE TYPE</u>	<u>SAMPLE LOCATION</u>
Flow (Gallons Per Day)	*	*	Daily	Continuous	Effluent
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD5)	45	30	Once per Two Weeks**	24 Hr Composite	Effluent
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	45	30	Once per Two Weeks**	24 Hr Composite	Effluent
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN)	30	20	Once per Two Weeks**	24 Hr Composite	Effluent
Fecal Coliform colonies/100ml	200	200	Once per Two Weeks**	Grab	Effluent
	DAILY MINIMUM	DAILY MAXIMUM			
pH (in standard units)	6.5 su	8.5 su	Weekly	Grab	Effluent

* Effluent flow from the drip irrigation disposal area shall not exceed the design flow rate.

** The sampling frequency may be reduced from once per two weeks to monthly, if monitoring data from 24 consecutive sampling events conducted once per two weeks demonstrate compliance with the discharge limitations and compliance with all permit conditions is maintained. Noncompliance with a discharge limitation or other permit condition during a sample frequency will reinstate the requirement for sampling to be performed once per two weeks.

Appendix B

The groundwater shall be monitored and limited by the permittee as specified below:

<u>GROUNDWATER CHARACTERISTIC</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>GROUNDWATER LIMITS</u>	<u>MONITORING REQUIREMENTS</u>	
			FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE
Total Nitrate	mg/l	7.5	Quarterly	Grab
pH	Standard	6.5-8.5	Quarterly	Grab

ADEM Permit Rationale

Date: July 22, 2009

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Permittee Name: Harvest Monrovia Water, Sewer, and Fire Protection Authority

Facility Name: Carillo Bay

Location: 102 Drifter Lane
Toney, Madison County, Alabama
Town 2, Range 2, Section 14

UIC Permit Number ALSI9945701

Draft Permit is: Reissuance due to Expiration

Injection Description: Treated sanitary wastewater from a wastewater treatment plant.

Discussion: Standard permit drafted.

1. No hazardous injection
2. Sampling point required
3. Monitoring Well must be installed and sampled
4. Discharge must be sampled in accordance with Appendix A and B
5. Results must be submitted in a timely manner
6. BMPs included in permit